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Dear Mr. Wilson:

HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) INTERIM MILESTONE M-89-02, COMPLETE REMOVAL OF 324 BUILDING RADIOCHEMICAL ENGINEERING CELLS (REC) B-CELL MIXED WASTE (MW) AND EQUIPMENT, NOVEMBER 30, 2000

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL) and Fluor Hanford, Inc. (FHI) are providing the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) the enclosed recovery schedule for Tri-Party Agreement Interim Milestone M-89-02. The recovery schedule supports the FHI developed Milestone Recovery Plan for M-89-02 referenced in my previous letter (01-FTD-006) to you on this subject dated November 8. RL and FHI included your staff in the development of the recovery plan before providing the revised schedule.

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The schedule shows that shipment of mixed waste associated with M-89-02 to the 200 Area will be completed by March 30, 2001, and shipment of non-mixed waste associated with M-89-02 to the 200 Area will be completed by July 31, 2001. The schedule for repair and maintenance of the 30-ton crane appears first on the schedule because the annual maintenance is required in December 2000 and the crane must be operable and available to support shipment of all waste from B-Cell out of the 324 Building. Availability of the B-Cell, airlock, and cask-handling area cranes is essential to moving B-Cell waste out of the 324 Building and to maintaining the recovery schedule. Another key factor potentially limiting shipments of mixed waste to the 200 Area is the weather; the operational controls on the packaging require ambient air temperature to be greater than 32°F because of the package material.

The M-89-02 milestone commitment to the November 30, date was established in November 1998 in Tri-Party Agreement Change Number M-89-98-03. Since that time, the 324 Building project team has continually worked to overcome a number of technical, administrative, work force, and schedule challenges to sustain progress toward meeting M-89-02. In spite of these aggressive efforts often made at a cost of personal sacrifice by the staff, recent delays caused by various technical difficulties, operational concerns, and equipment malfunctions have resulted in the project being behind schedule. Building on this experience, FHI has developed the enclosed recovery schedule using realistic work planning assumptions that now consider the uncertainties concerning equipment availability, overtime scheduling, conduct of operations improvements, and technical challenges.

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If you have any questions, please contact me on (509) 376-9333, or your staff may contact David C. Langstaff, Facility Transition Division, on (509) 376-5580.

Sincerely,



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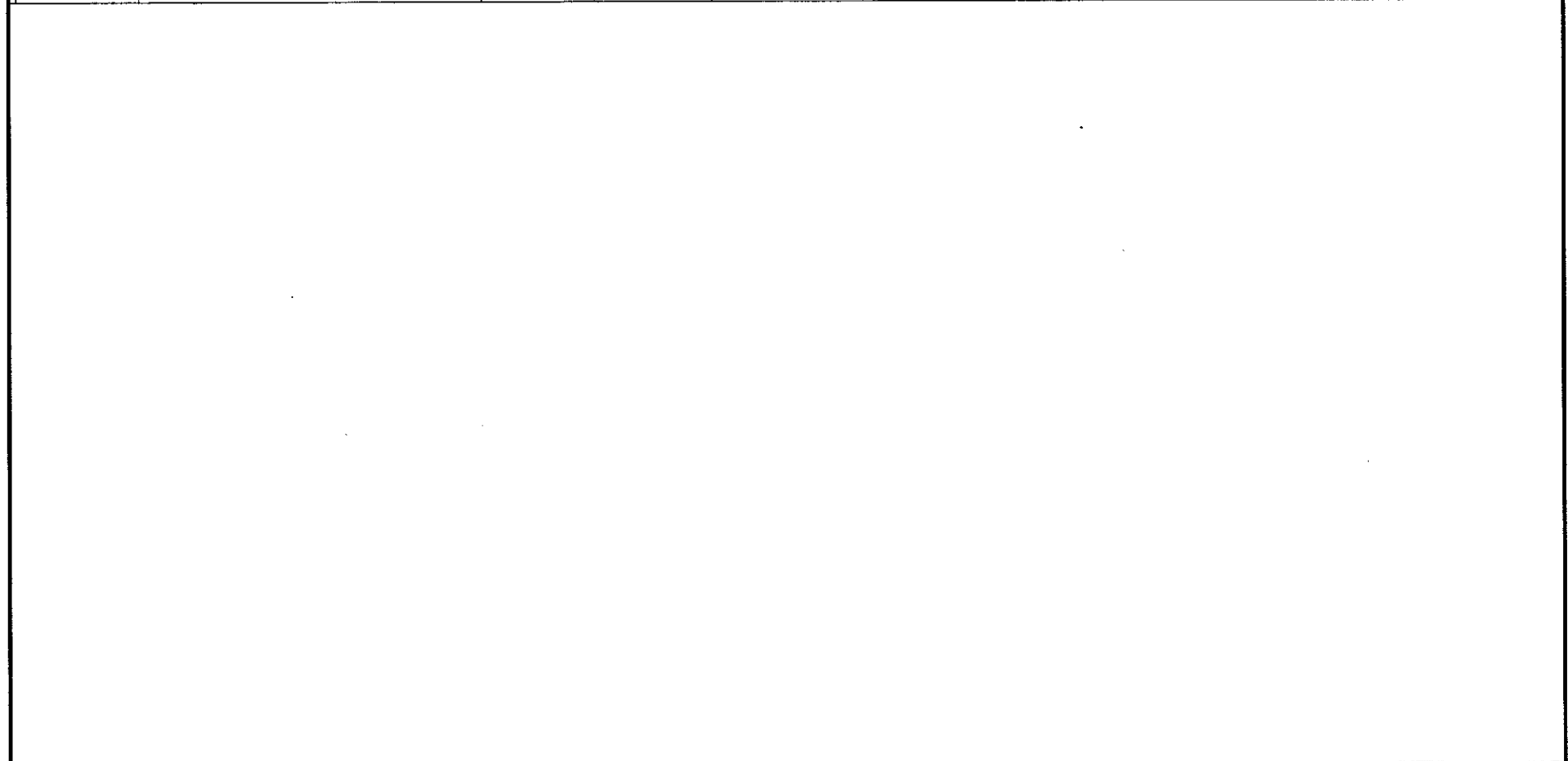
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| Activity ID | Activity Description | Early Start | Scheduled Finish | FY01 | | | | | | | | | | | | FY02 | | |
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| Recovery Schedule | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| M89A | 30 Ton Crane | 01DEC00* | 08JAN01 | <div><div></div>30 Ton Crane</div> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| M89C | B-Cell Mixed Waste Cleanout M-89-02 | 09JAN01 | 30MAR01 | <div><div></div>B-Cell Mixed Waste Cleanout M-89-02</div> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| M89B | Complete 3-82B Shipments | 02APR01 | 31JUL01 | <div><div></div>Complete 3-82B Shipments</div> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



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| Start Date | 01SEP00 | M89A | Tri-Party Agreement | Sheet 1 of 1 | Recovery Schedule |
| Finish Date | 31JUL01 | | | | |
| Data Date | 01SEP00 | | Interim Milestone | | |
| Run Date | 21DEC00 15:12 | | M-89-02 | | |
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